

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 18 of the Substitute Specification with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 2 illustrates a second exemplary embodiment of a snap ring ~~10~~ 210 having a centering function. Equivalent parts and parts performing equivalent functions as those shown in Figure 1 are denoted in Figure 2 by the same reference numerals which are formed by adding a prefix "2" to the corresponding reference numerals shown in Figure 1. In comparison to the exemplary embodiment according to Figure 1, the second exemplary embodiment according to Figure 2 is distinguished by web ~~16~~ 216 being located in the vicinity of a lug ~~12~~ 212. In this context, centering ring ~~17~~ 217 is likewise encircled by clip ~~11~~ 211, so that snap ring ~~10~~ 210 shown in Figure 2 is likewise designed as an internal ring.